

NOT EQUAL TO THE TASK

WHAT DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSMEN SAY
OF THE PUBLIC PRINTER.

A Very Loud Howl Goes Up for the "Record"—It Comes no More at Breakfast Time, but is Now an Afternoon Production.

In the late yesterday afternoon a resolution was offered by Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, calling on the committee on procedure to make a report on the way to supply members with copies of the *Congressional Record*. Without a dissenting vote the resolution was adopted and probably a day or two later, Mr. Grosvenor will lay before the House a bill. "The! Benedict's excuse for failing to do what his predecessors have done variably done and done well. That excuse was that the natural course of a deep and wise dissatisfaction with political life in the move, and the customary question as to what was to be done, the trouble was that the Democrats and Republicans alike knew that the *Record* had never been run in a dignified manner as has been done in this session.

After the House adjourned yesterday the report of the committee on procedure, and into his extra hour poured their trouble on the *Record* question. Some of the members of the committee were and sometimes not before 11; never before 12 o'clock, as they always had hitherto. They were not in the House for the proceedings of the previous day, and there were any corrections to be made the

Gen. H. McAdoo had a large steel engraving of the Capitol dome made, which was to be a decorative public printer could not succeed in doing the congressional printing as well as and as rapidly as it had been done elsewhere. The general's response was that he knew of no reason why it should be a

Mr. Crain was evidently of the opinion that the public printing office had been closed for some time past. He never got his *Record* until he arrived at the House, but what annoyed him more was the fact that bills and resolutions for which committees were waiting anxiously had not yet been printed.

Mr. S. S. Cox said the *Record* was a great convenience if only delivered in time, but that did not seem to be possible at the time. It was a valuable aid in debate, but it was necessary that members should have it in their hands before the House met.

endeavoring to make an afternoon paper what Congress had intended should be a morning journal. This should be remedied.

Mr. Melroe said he was one of the few that received the *Record* as often as once in three or four days.

A blind Providence evidently watched

Mr. Hemphill said he had not had a *card* delivered at his residence since the session began and was very much incensed thereby.

they sent me the index this morning that gives me considerable insight into what has been said and done, so you see I have no just ground of complaint. I shall try to struggle along with the index."

Mr. Taulbee said: "I have never received

I always used to get it before 8 o'clock at residence, and therefore could not breakfast. Even when there had been night session and we did not adjourn until midnight it was always on hand just promptly as though we had adjourned.

Mr. Bland said: "There is a hitch somewhere. The *Record* does not come to us as it did in former years. It is very irregular."

One member said he thought much of the trouble was due to the large number of

the public printer of members who used of hungry constituents. This had, course, necessitated the discharge of perished hands, and, as a natural consequence, the work could neither be well speedily done. "If the *Record* is three four hours late now," he added, "w

and complicated, it is a part
of our medicine, however,